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SUBJECT: EVACUATION OF AMERICAN PERSONNEL FROM SOUTH
VIETNAM

FOLLOWING RELEASE ISSUED BY STATE AND DEFENSE SPOKESMEN
APRIL 29:

BEGIN TEXT.

THE PRESIDENT HAS ORDERED THE EVACUATION OF THE REMAINING
AMERICANS FROM VIET-NAM. THE MILITARY SITUATION AROUND
SAIGON, PARTICULARLY AT THE AIRPORT, HAS DETERIORATED TO
SUCH AN EXTENT THAT THIS MEASURE HAS BECOME NECESSARY TO
ENSURE THEIR SAFETY.

THIS OPERATION IS BEING CARRIED OUT BY US MILITARY HELI-
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COPTERS AND IS BEING PROTECTED BY A SECURITY FORCE OF

US MARINES AND TACTICAL AIRCRAFT. FORCE WILL NOT BE USED
UNLESS ESSENTIAL TO PROTECT THE LIVES OF THOSE INVOLVED.

THE EVACUEES WILL BE TAKEN TEMPORARILY TO CARRIERS OFF-
SHORE BEFORE BEING MOVED ONWARD TO THE UNITED STATES.

WE DO NOT HAVE PRECISE FIGURES ON THE NUMBER OF AMERICANS
INVOLVED, BUT IT SHOULD BE ABOUT 800 TO 900. END TEXT.
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